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:: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

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Alta J Porter

4636 US 175-EAST, Athens, TX 75752-6248

November 30, 2005 5:23 PM

Senator Kay Hutchison U.S. Senate 284 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Hutchison:

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Diane Skeen

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November 30, 2005 9:30 PM

Senator Ben Nelson U.S. Senate 720 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Robert Byrd U.S. Senate 311 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Byrd:

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Sincerely,

Gene Simmons

cc:

Richard A Shannon

605 N. 2nd St., Bardstown, KY 40004-1659

December 1, 2005 4:13 AM

Senator Mitch McConnell U.S. Senate 361-A Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator McConnell:

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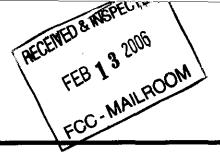
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Robert Brenneke

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November 30, 2005 5:20 PM

Senator John Kerry U.S. Senate 304 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Kerry:

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Sincerely,

Robert Brenneke

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Senator James Inhofe U.S. Senate 453 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Chrystal Davis

613 Grooms Rd #3, Reidsville, NC 27320

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December 1, 2005 7:44 AM

Senator Richard Burr U.S. Senate 217 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Chrystal Davis

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Representative James Walsh U.S. House of Representatives 2369 Rayburn House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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December 1, 2005 7:52 AM

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Senator Rick Santorum U.S. Senate 511 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Susan Burchfield

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December 1, 2005 7:58 AM

Representative John Kuhl U.S. House of Representatives 1505 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

Susan Burchfield

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Patricia Jenkins

2248 Saint Paul Street, Indianapolis, IN 46203

November 30, 2005 5:21 PM

Senator Richard Lugar U.S. Senate 306 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Lucille Abrahamsen

13 Jenkins Lane, Highland, NY 12528

December 1, 2005 5:18 AM

Representative Maurice Hinchey U.S. House of Representatives 2431 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Mary Carter

P.O. Box 125, McCammon, ID 83250-0125

November 30, 2005 9:36 PM

Senator Larry Craig U.S. Senate 520 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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December 1, 2005 5:03 AM

Representative Sue Kelly U.S. House of Representatives 2182 Rayburn House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Kelly:

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Senator Kay Hutchison U.S. Senate 284 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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November 30, 2005 9:31 PM

Representative Jeff Miller U.S. House of Representatives 324 Cannon House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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November 30, 2005 5:17 PM

Senator Jon Kyl U.S. Senate 730 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Kyl:

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Michael Butler

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November 30, 2005 5:26 PM

Senator Russell Feingold U.S. Senate 506 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Feingold:

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Senator Charles Schumer U.S. Senate 313 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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December 1, 2005 5:06 AM

Senator Barack Obama U.S. Senate 713 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Obama:

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November 30, 2005 9:38 PM

Senator Mark Pryor U.S. Senate 257 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Representative Tim Ryan U.S. House of Representatives 222 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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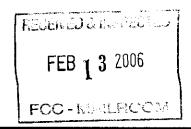
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November 30, 2005 5:23 PM

Senator John Cornyn U.S. Senate 517 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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